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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution states that "the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all. (Section 1, Art. XIV).

The only way to consider that education is accessible to all is to provide the establishment of schools of learning in the barangay level.

In her State of the Nation Address, Her Excellency, President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo categorically stated that it is the policy of her administration to promote the establishment of secondary schools in every barangay throughout the country.

It is in this context that this bill seeks to establish the SAN MATEO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL in San Mateo, Municipality of Norzagaray, Province of Bulacan.

This proposed bill is not only in consonance with the constitutional mandate but also in line with the policy of the present administration.

Hence, approval of the foregoing is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORZAGARAY, PROVINCE OF BULACAN TO BE KNOWN AS THE SAN MATEO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. *Establishment of a National High School.* - There shall be established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national high school at Barangay San Mateo in the Municipality of Norzagaray, Province of Bulacan, to be known as the San Mateo National High School.

SECTION 2. *Appropriation.* - The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalizatoin of the San Mateo National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. *Implementation.* - The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SECTION 4. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,